



## Early Journal Content on JSTOR, Free to Anyone in the World

This article is one of nearly 500,000 scholarly works digitized and made freely available to everyone in the world by JSTOR.

Known as the Early Journal Content, this set of works include research articles, news, letters, and other writings published in more than 200 of the oldest leading academic journals. The works date from the mid-seventeenth to the early twentieth centuries.

We encourage people to read and share the Early Journal Content openly and to tell others that this resource exists. People may post this content online or redistribute in any way for non-commercial purposes.

Read more about Early Journal Content at <http://about.jstor.org/participate-jstor/individuals/early-journal-content>.

JSTOR is a digital library of academic journals, books, and primary source objects. JSTOR helps people discover, use, and build upon a wide range of content through a powerful research and teaching platform, and preserves this content for future generations. JSTOR is part of ITHAKA, a not-for-profit organization that also includes Ithaka S+R and Portico. For more information about JSTOR, please contact [support@jstor.org](mailto:support@jstor.org).

THE  
NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW.

VOL. XIV.

---

NEW SERIES.

VOL. V.

---

BOSTON:

PUBLISHED BY OLIVER EVERETT, NO. 6 COURT STREET.

---

University Press—Hilliard & Metcalf.

1822.

## CONTENTS OF VOL. V. NO. II.

### NEW SERIES.

---

- ART. XIV.—Aristophanes and Socrates.**  
The Comedies of Aristophanes. By T. Mitchell, A. M.  
late fellow of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge. 273
- ART. XV.—Herculanean Manuscripts.**  
Herculanensium Voluminum quæ supersunt. Tomus II. 296
- ART. XVI.—Education in South Carolina.**  
1. A Review of the plan of Education in South Carolina.  
2. Address to the Graduates of the South Carolina College;  
December, 1821. By Thomas Cooper, M. D. President  
of the College. 310
- ART. XVII.—Essay Writing.**  
1. The Club Room.  
2. The Idle Man. 319
- ART. XVIII.—Academy of Language and Belles Lettres.**  
Circulars addressed to the American members and patrons  
of the American Academy of Language and Belles  
Lettres. By the Corresponding Secretary. 350
- ART. XIX.—Eighteen Hundred and Twenty, a poem.** 360
- ART. XX.—Brande's Manual of Chemistry.**  
A Manual of Chemistry. By William Thomas Brande,  
Secretary of the Royal Society of London. The first  
American from the second London edition. Three vo-  
lumes in one. To which are added, Notes and Emen-  
dations. By William James Macneven, M. D. Profes-  
sor of Chemistry in the College of Physicians and Sur-  
geons of the University of the State of New-York. 369
- ART. XXI.—Geological and Agricultural Survey.**  
A geological and agricultural survey of Rensselaer county  
in the state of New-York. Taken under the direction  
of the honorable Stephen Van Rensselaer. 378
- ART. XXII.—Colburn's Arithmetic.**  
An Arithmetic on the plan of Pestalozzi, with some im-  
provements. By Warren Colburn. 381

# CONTENTS.

## ART. XXIII.—Mr Du Ponceau's Discourse.

A Discourse on the Early History of Pennsylvania ; being an Annual Oration delivered before the American Philosophical Society, held at Philadelphia, for promoting useful Knowledge, June 6, 1821. By Peter S. Du Ponceau, L L. D.

384

## ART. XXIV.—Interpretation of the Scriptures.

Elements of Interpretation, translated from the Latin of J. A. Ernesti, accompanied with Notes. By Moses Stuart, Professor of Sacred Literature in the Theological Seminary at Andover.

391

## ART. XXV.—Improvements in Machinery.

1. Transactions of the Society, instituted at London, for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce.

2. Transactions of the Society for the Promotion of Useful Arts in the State of New-York.

401

## ART. XXVI.—Mexico.

Message from the President of the United States, transmitting, in pursuance of a resolution of the House of Representatives of the 30th January last, communications from the Agents of the United States with the Governments south of the United States, which have declared their independence, and the communications from the Agents of such Governments, in the United States, with the Secretary of State, as tend to show the political condition of their Governments, and the state of the war between them and Spain.

420

Note.

455

List of New Publications.

457

## CONTENTS OF VOL. V. NO. 1.

### NEW SERIES.

---

ART. I.—Poems by James G. Percival.	1
ART. II.—Views of Society and Manners in America. Views of Society and Manners in America ; in a series of letters from that country to a friend in England, during the years 1818, 1819, and 1820. By an Englishwoman.	15
ART. III.—Encke's Comet. 1. Eine merkwürdige astronomische Entdeckung und Beobachtungen des Kometen vom Jul. 1819, vom Herrn Doct. Olbers in Bremen. 2. Ueber einen merkwürdigen Kometen, der wahrscheinlich bei dreijähriger Umlaufzeit schon zum viertenmale bei seiner Rückkehr zur Sonne beobachtet ist vom Herrn Prof. J. H. Encke, Adjuncten der Sternwarte Seeberg, bei Gotha. 3. Ueber die Bahn des Ponschen Kometen, nebst Berechnung seines Laufs bei seiner nächsten Wiederkehr im Jahr 1822, vom Herrn Prof. Encke, Direktor der Herzogl. Sternwarte Seeberg, bei Gotha.	26
ART. IV.—Dr Webster on St Michael and the Azores. A description of the island of St Michael, comprising an account of its geological structure ; with some remarks on the other Azores or Western Islands. Originally communicated to the Linnæan Society of New England. By John W. Webster, M. D. Cor. Sec. L. S. N. E.	34
ART. V.—Stuart's Dissertations. Dissertations on the importance and the best method of studying the Original Languages of the Bible, by Jahn and others. Translated from the originals and accompanied with notes, by M. Stuart, Associate Professor of Sacred Literature in the Theological Seminary at Andover.	51
ART. VI.—Life of Algernon Sydney. Memoirs of Algernon Sydney, by George Wilson Meadley. With an appendix.	59

# CONTENTS.

ART. VII.—Fairfax's Tasso. Godfrey of Bulloigne ; or the recovery of Jerusalem. By Edward Fairfax.	87
ART. VIII.—Posthumous works of Madame de Stael. Oeuvres inedites de Madame la Baronne de Stael, publiées par son fils.	101
ART. IX.—Fr. Adelung's Survey of Languages. Uebersicht aller bekannten Sprachen und ihrer Dialekte.	128
ART. X.—The Life of Pitt. Memoirs of the life of the Right Honorable William Pitt. By George Tomline D. D. F. R. S. Lord Bishop of Win- chester, and prelate of the most noble order of the garter.	144
ART. XI.—Report upon Weights and Measures. Report upon Weights and Measures. By John Quincy Adams, Secretary of State of the United States. Pre- pared in obedience to a resolution of the Senate of the third of March 1817.	190
ART. XII.—The New York Canals. 1. Public documents relating to the New York canals, which are to connect the western and northern lakes with the Atlantic ocean ; with an introduction. Printed under the direction of the New York corresponding association for the promotion of internal improvements. 2. History of the rise, progress, and existing condition of the western canals in the state of New York, from Sep- tember 1788 to the completion of the middle section of the Grand Canal, in 1819 ; together with the rise, pro- gress, and existing state of modern agricultural societies on the Berkshire system, from 1807 to the establishment of the Board of Agriculture in the state of New York, January 10, 1820. By Elkanah Watson. 3. A vindication of the claim of Elkanah Watson Esq. to the merit of projecting the lake canal policy, as created by the canal act of March 1792. And also a vindication of the claim of the late Gen. Schuyler to the merit of drawing that act, and procuring its passage through the legislature. By Robert Troup Esq.	230
ART. XIII.—Hale's Dissertations. Boylston Medical Prize Dissertations for the years 1819 and 1821. Experiments and observations on the com- munication between the stomach and the urinary organs, and on the propriety of administering medicine by in- jection into the veins. By E. Hale, jun. M. D. M. M. S. S.	251
List of New Publications.	265